SUBJECT No. 63.

Distribution of water to lands under major tanks.

Mr. Siddaramappa, Holalkere taluk.

Summary of discussion.—In the case of major tanks, the distribution of water to the atchkat lands is not properly and uniformly regulated. Consequently the lands close by receive good supply of water while those far off get none. The owners of the latter are thereby put to heavy loss and this gives rise to disputes among the raiyats. A uniform distribution of water to all atchkat lands may be ensured by providing pipes (ಕಬ್ಬಿಣದ ಅಂಳಗಳು) and making proper divisions. (ಪಂತಗಳು.)

Reply of Government.—The member may apply to the Chief Engineer specifying individual cases of hardship.

SUBJECT No. 64.

Classification of major and minor tanks.

Mr. Subbareddi, Kolar District Board.

Summary of discussion.—Though the rate of *kandayam* levied on wet land both under minor and major tanks is the same, the earthwork of major tanks is undertaken by the Government, while that of the minor tanks is left to the raiyats. The earthwork of minor tanks also may be undertaken by Government or the rate of assessment may be reduced.

Reply of Government.—A general rule is not feasible. Specific cases of hardship may be reported for the orders of Government.

SUBJECT No. 65.

Irrigable atchkat under tanks.

Messrs. Nagegowda, Mulbagal taluk, and Surasastri, Chikballapur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—In the restoration of tanks by the Department of Public Works, the waste weir is lowered and the sluice kept at higher level. By doing so, the entire atchkat cannot be brought under wet cultivation. To obviate this, the Public Works Department may be asked to furnish the Revenue Department with the exact irrigable area under it after the tank is once restored. If the irrigable area is less than the original atchkat, the area that cannot be provided with water may be assessed at dry rates.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered. Specific cases will be investigated.

SUBJECT No. 66.

Silting up of tanks and reduction of atchkat.

(*a*) Messrs. Ibrahimkhan, Sira taluk, Agali Venkataramiah, Tumkur District Board, and Herur Gundappa, Kunigal taluk.

(*b*) Messrs. Kodandaramsetti, Anantharajappa and Ananta Lakshmi Naranappa, Tumkur taluk, Chikkanniah, Tumkur District Board, and Herur Gundappa, Kunigal taluk.

(*c*) Messrs. Kanchi Seethappa and Tati Reddi, Chintamani taluk, Muthur Suryanarayanappa, Rame Gowda and Hanume Gowda, Sidlaghatta taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Many tanks have below them more lands than they can adequately supply water to. In consequence, the crops wither away or give poor outturn.

(*a*) An investigation may be caused to be held in such cases and only lands that can be adequately supplied with water may be included in the atchkat, the rest being converted into dry lands.

(*b*) Something may be done in the direction of raising the waste-weirs of tanks which have become too silted up to supply adequate water to the existing atchkat, and silt-dams may be constructed wherever possible to prevent the further silting up of tanks.

(*c*) Tanks at present do not hold enough water, as they get silted up. They may be restored so as to hold